



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: ROBERT S. HERRICK,)
SERIAL NO.: 08/951,690) GROUP ART UNIT
FILED: October 16, 1997) 3738
FOR: PUNCTUM PLUG HAVING A COLLAPSIBLE) EXAMINER
FLARED SECTION AND METHOD) TRAM NGUYEN
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.10,
enclosed herewith are the following documents for filing:

- (1) AMENDMENT with copies of TERMINAL DISCLAIMER TO OBIATE
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PATENT and Check in the amount of \$55.00
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Fee due under 37 CFR 1.20(d);

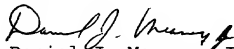
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- (2) Check in the amount of \$200.00 paying the Small Entity Fee for an additional four (4) independent claims and five (5) additional dependent claims;
- (3) PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME OF THREE (3) MONTHS FOR RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND PAYMENT OF FEE THEREOF;
- (4) CHECK in the amount of \$435.00 paying the Small Entity Extension Fee due under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3); and
- (5) POSTCARD.

We respectfully request a filing date of December 10, 1999, the date of mailing the above-referenced documents, pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.10.

Respectfully submitted,



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